

**AMENDMENTS TO WHITE PAPER 1  
PLANNING**

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**COUNCIL MEETING – 9 NOVEMBER 2016**

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| NOTICE OF:                       | Reference No:                        | Date Received: | Date Forwarded: |
| White Paper WPI<br>AMENDMENT     | A1 to WPI                            | 4/11/16        | 8/11/16         |
| Submitted by:                    | COUNCILLOR TOM LEADLEY               |                |                 |
| Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: | EXECUTIVE BOARD                      |                |                 |
| Executive Member/Chair:          | REGENERATION, TRANSPORT AND PLANNING |                |                 |
| Relevant Director                | CITY DEVELOPMENT                     |                |                 |

DELETE THE FIGURES AND WORDS "70,000 HOUSING TARGET"  
AND INSERT THE WORDS AND FIGURES "HOUSING TARGETS  
OF 74,000 GROSS, 70,000 NET OF DEMOLITIONS" IN THEIR  
PLACE.

*T. Leadley*  
(COUNCILLOR TOM LEADLEY)

\* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by: n/a

**Deadlines for submission**

White Papers - \*10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons  
Questions - 10.00 am on Monday prior to meeting  
Amendments - 1.30 pm on Tuesday prior to meeting  
(including references back)

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\*Usually the Monday of the week prior to a Wednesday meeting.

Distribution: Lord Mayor, Group Leaders, Whips, Deputy Leader, Executive Councillors, Chief Executive, Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Strategy and Customer Access), City Solicitor, Director of Resources, Relevant Chair and Director.

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| White Paper Amendment | A2 TO WP1     | 8/11/16        | 8/11/16         |

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| Submitted by:                    | Councillor Colin Campbell                               |
| Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: | Executive Board   |
| Executive Member/Chair:          | Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport and Planning) |
| Relevant Director                | Director of City Development                            |

In paragraph four, following “*land banking*”, to insert the words “*or who fail to fully implement their planning permissions*”

Colin Campbell.

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| Amendment  | A3 to WP1     | 8/11/16        | 8/11/16         |

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| Submitted by:                    | Councillor Barry Anderson                               |
| Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: | Executive Board   |
| Executive Member/Chair:          | Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport and Planning) |
| Relevant Director                | Director of City Development                            |

**Replace paragraph 1 with:**

“This Council believes that the 70,000 housing target in the core strategy is unrealistic and unnecessary particularly in light of further population projections from the Office of National Statistics.”

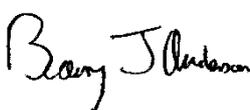
**Motion will read:**

This Council believes that the 70,000 housing target in the core strategy is unrealistic and unnecessary particularly in light of further population projections from the Office of National Statistics.

The ongoing issue of the city’s inflated housing target and the recent findings on 5 year land supply mean that many Leeds communities face the prospect of unsustainable and unwanted housing development. This Council therefore resolves to immediately implement a review of housing numbers, while continuing to move ahead with the Site Allocations Plan. The results of this review should be reported to Executive Board at the earliest opportunity.

Council further resolves to write to the Housing and Planning Minister calling for a suspension of the 5 year land supply requirement on Councils that are progressing quickly towards a Site Allocations Plan hearing.

In addition, while generally welcoming the National Planning Policy Framework, we are concerned that it gives developers too much control over housing delivery. This Council calls on the government to consider introducing penalties against developers who are found to be land banking, and for a report to be brought to Executive Board outlining what more can be done in Leeds to address this problem.



Councillor Barry Anderson

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| White Paper | A4 to WP1     | 8/11/16        | 8/11/16         |

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| Submitted by:                    | Councillor Richard Lewis                                |
| Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: | Executive Board   |
| Executive Member/Chair:          | Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport and Planning) |
| Relevant Director                | Director of City Development                            |

**Delete all after “This Council” and replace with:**

“notes that the Secretary of State, a Conservative MP, has overturned local decisions on planning applications in Leeds based on a supposed lack of a 5 year housing land supply. Council believes that decisions like this primarily benefit developers at the cost of local communities.

Council further notes that the Labour administration has a longstanding commitment to selectively review the Core Strategy, including the housing target. Council welcomes the work that is underway to review the government inspector approved target of 70,000 homes in the light of recent evidence and wishes to see this concluded swiftly, whilst continuing to move ahead with the Site Allocations Plan. The results of this review should be reported to Executive Board at the earliest opportunity.

Council notes the Planning Green Paper published in 2010 states that “*these radical reforms aim to:*

- *Restore democratic and local control over the planning system;*
- *Rebalance the system in favour of sustainable development;*
- *Produce a simpler, quicker, cheaper and less bureaucratic planning system.*

Council laments that in 6 years of Conservative government that this has clearly not been achieved.

Council believes the National Planning Policy Framework needs fundamental change to ensure communities voices can be heard clearly. In particular, Council believes that the practical operation of the 5 year housing land supply undercuts local, democratic decision making and makes a mockery of a plan-led process. In addition, Council notes that inconsistent decisions have been made on the 5 year land supply from government appointed inspectors, with Leeds communities finding themselves at the mercy of housing developers.

Council calls for an overhaul of the planning framework that puts powers truly in the hands of local authorities to reflect local needs and vision, encourages sustainable development and seeks to remove the perverse incentives of holding deliverable land and limiting development on sites in order to increase profits.

In light of the current uncertainty, Council therefore requests that group leaders collectively write to the Housing and Planning Minister to highlight these concerns and, at the very least, call for a suspension of the 5 year land supply requirement on Councils that are progressing quickly towards a Site Allocations Plan hearing. Council also calls on the government to consider introducing penalties against developers who are found to be land banking, and for a report to be

**The full motion will then read:**

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